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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION Expedited Action under 37 C.F.R. §1.116

In response to the **final** Office Action mailed on March 17, 2008, Applicants respectfully request entry and consideration of the following Amendment and Response under 37 C.F.R. §1.116. This response is timely filed on the date set forth below, as the time for response has been extended until August 18, 2008 (August 17, 2008 being a Sunday), pursuant to the accompanying Petition for Two-Month Extension of Time and payment of the associated extension of time fee of \$460.00 for a large entity. If any additional fees are required or if any funds are due, the USPTO is authorized to charge or credit Deposit Account Number: **50-0311**, Customer Number: **35437**, Reference Number: **24852-513**.

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